



The Unified Communications Center (“UCC”) is a city-wide project that will be the future home of the Government of the District of Columbia’s Fire/Emergency Medical Services 911, Metropolitan Police Department 911/311, Mayor’s City-Wide Call Center (727-1000) , Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Operations Center and the City-Wide Technology/Communication Center.

## PROJECT UPDATE

### Design

- 95% complete (see building rendering on next page)

### Construction

- Contract awarded for Bid Package 1 (BP1) on Sept 2002 for abatement, demolition and cottage relocation
- Site work initiated in October 2002
- Submitted for site permit in October 2002
- BP2 award (clearing, grading & underground utilities) to be made by end of Nov 2002

### Approvals/Agreements

- Zoning Planned Unit Development (PUD)
- National Capital Planning Commission (NCPD)
- Raze permit received from DCRA
- Cottage recordation by National Park Service (NPS)
- Draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) reached with Historic Preservation regarding historic mitigation plan

## LSDBE PROJECT PARTICIPATION

### Monthly Status

<b>BP1</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>LSDBE</b>	<b>(Actual)</b>
<b>District PM Team</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>LSDBE</b>	<b>(Actual)</b>
<b>BP2</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>LSDBE</b>	<b>(Estimated)</b>

## SPECIAL THANKS TO THE WARD 8 COMMUNITY

*Special thanks to the many civic organizations, CDCs, ANCs, and community leaders for allowing us to present the UCC Vision over the past several months. Your input and recommendations have been used to improve the UCC Project. We appreciate your continued feedback and look forward to making a positive impact on the community. Your support and efforts were instrumental in helping us to achieve zoning.*

*A special note of thanks to ANC 8A, 8B and 8C for their assistance in developing the Community MOA.*

## PROJECT SCHEDULE

The District, like many municipalities across the nation, has been impacted by reductions in revenue due to the events of September 11th and downturn of the stock market. The District Government had to make adjustments and cuts in spending in order to balance the city budget. As a result, the UCC Project lost some of its funding. This has postponed the start of construction work and hence has delayed the completion of the project until Spring 2004.

### MILESTONES

START DESIGN	<b>April 2001</b>
START CONSTRUCTION	<b>October 2002</b>
COMPLETE DESIGN	<b>November 2002</b>
COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION	<b>Spring 2004</b>

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Nov 2002

- ☐ 20<sup>th</sup> - LSDBE Forum
- ☐ 30<sup>th</sup> - BP2 Award

#### Dec 2002

- ☐ 15<sup>th</sup> - Excavation/Soil & Fly Ash Removal
- ☐ TBD - Community Forum
- ☐ TBD - Commence Site Work

#### Jan 2003

- ☐ TBD - Groundbreaking Ceremony
- ☐ TBD - Office of Planning Official Campus Planning Kickoff

## CONTACT INFORMATION

*This newsletter is published by OCTO to provide information and updates to the community regarding the status of the UCC Project.*

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*UCC Rendering*

## LOCAL HIRING

OCTO is practicing every effort to ensure that residents of the Ward 8 community have **first** priority for positions available with the UCC project.

**INTRODUCING . . .** OCTO is proud to announce the selection of **Ms. Christine Yates** as the Administrative Assistant on the UCC project. Ms. Yates is a highly-skilled professional, who resides in Ward 8. She served as a Program Assistant with the Environmental Health Administration (Clean Lands Program); as a Grant Management Technician at the Dept of Health and Human Services. We appreciate your input in sharing the vacancy announcement with the community and referring potential candidates.

## PHOTO COLLECTION

### *The Cottages – Temporary Relocation*

The UCC site contained four cottages that needed to be removed to allow construction of the UCC to proceed. The cottages contained asbestos/lead paint, had been damaged by vandalism and have been deteriorating. The UCC project developed a historic mitigation plan that in part proposed to relocate two of the existing cottages. As part of the zoning process, and agreement with the zoning commission and DC Historic Preservation Office, two of the cottages will be returned to their original location near the existing barn and stable to restore the historic farm context reminiscent of the campus in its original function. In addition, they will be stabilized and partially rehabilitated to prevent further deterioration. These photos show relocation activities for the cottages.



## CAMPUS PLANNING EFFORTS

- Office of Planning (OP) awarded a contract to develop a campus master plan for the East and West Campus of St Elizabeths.
- OCTO is working with OP and The Department of Mental Health on this effort by participating in a working group and on the Executive Steering Committee.
- OP has already begun and will continue to conduct an extensive community outreach program specifically for the campus master planning effort.

***The Unified Communications Project***

*A major city investment east of the river, contributing to public safety, economic development and neighborhood revitalization*



***-Anthony A. Williams, Mayor***